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JUNE 26, 2024

NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA

IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council of Iberia Parish, Louisiana met in Regular Session in the Parish Council Chambers, Main Courthouse Building, New Iberia, Louisiana, on Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

The following members were recorded as PRESENT:

Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ian Alpha, Legal Counsel

Parish President M. Larry Richard

CAO Milton "Bo" Belanger, III

Executive Secretary Cynthia Provost

Director of Finance Kimberly Segura

Director of Communications District Prescott Marshall

Director of Sewerage District No. 1 Brad Cradeur

Director of Permitting, Planning & Zoning Jacob Weaver

The Parish Council of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the Governing Authority of the Parish of Iberia by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., its Chairman, who announced that the Council was now ready to conduct its business.

COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Councilman Brock Pellerin announced that he attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Maple Federal Credit Union located at 4017 Darnall Road, Lydia, Louisiana, in District 10.
2. Councilman Brock Pellerin informed Iberia Parish Council that he attended the local United States Marine Corps Meeting on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at New Iberia City Park. He stated that Mr. Ricky Segura was recognized and issued the Marine of the Year Award.
3. Councilman Brock Pellerin announced that the Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Rod and Gun Club Saltwater Fishing Rodeo will take place on July 4-6, 2024. This is a family event with food, snowballs, Corn Hole Tournament, bands, etc. Any money raised during the event will stay locally and go to non-profit agencies.
4. Councilman Natalie Broussard reported that Volunteer Louisiana and Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) hosted the Parish Prepared - A Citizen's Disaster Conference for Family and Community Preparedness Event on Thursday, June 13, 2024 at the New Iberia's Sliman Theatre to prepare the community for storm-related emergencies and hurricanes. Expert speakers including Beauregard Parish Sheriff Mark Herford, Meteorologist Dave Baker and Iberia Parish 911 Communications District Director Prescott Marshall gave presentations at the event. Complimentary hurricane preparedness kits were handed out to individuals that attended the event.
5. Councilman Lady Fontenette Brown acknowledged the presence of State Representative Marcus Bryant in support of Resolution Summary No. 115.
6. Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. announced that the next Iberia Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

PARISH PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Parish President M. Larry Richard announced that he attended the Iberia Parish Key Leaders 2024 Hurricane Season Meeting held at the Sliman Theatre this morning, July 10, 2024. Collaboration was discussed with over 20 agencies that were in attendance including, Iberia Parish Office of Homeland Security, Iberia Parish Sheriff's Office, Public Works, local Fire Departments and Police Departments, Acadian Ambulance, Iberia Medical Center, Goodwill Industries, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Acadiana Disaster, American Red Cross, Entergy, etc. regarding lessons learned from recent hurricane responses, resources for hurricane response, key concerns and areas for improvement.
2. President Richard announced that a Pre-Bid Conference was held this morning, Wednesday, June 26, 2024 for the second phase of the First Solar Lift Station and ARA Main Station Upgrades, with Bid Opening scheduled for Tuesday, July 2, 2024.
3. President Richard stated that the Sewerage District No. 1 Project has been completed. Through the Louisiana Office of Community Development Water Sector Grant, Iberia Parish was able to add 14 generators, both permanent and portable to the emergency power fleet for the service areas of Willow Wood Drive, Avenue Belle Terre, Orange Grove Avenue, La. Highway 677 and La. Highway 86.
4. President Richard advised that Waterworks District No. 3 construction project has begun for the new 500,000-gallon potable water storage tank, triplex booster pump station, electrical upgrades and 1400-gallon per minute water well on Coteau Road.



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5. President Richard informed Iberia Parish Council that the 2023 Audit Report has been completed by Kolder, Slaven and Company. He reflected on the remarkable progress that Iberia Parish has made financially and reported that in 2016, there was only 29 days cash on hand when he was elected into the Office of Parish President. He further reported that Iberia Parish now stands strong with 6.4 Million Dollars in the General Fund balance with 380 days of cash on hand. President Richard elaborated that this testimony is due to the collective collaboration between Iberia Parish Government and Iberia Parish Council working so well together.
6. President Richard also reminded everyone to visit the new website for Iberia Parish Government which can be viewed at [www.iberiaparishgovernment.com](http://www.iberiaparishgovernment.com).

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the Council recess its Regular Session and convene in a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the motion was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Comments from the General Public on Agenda Items.
  - a. Mr. Matthew Margaglio, Representative of Kolder, Slaven and Company presented the Financial Audit Report for fiscal year ending December 31, 2023 regarding Summary No. 115.

Mr. Margaglio pointed out the four key components, including the reports by the auditors and financial information. These reports consist of the independent reports on financials, internal controls, and federal awards, along with Administration's reports on financial statements and note disclosures. Mr. Margaglio stated that Iberia Parish was issued an unmodified opinion on the financial statements, which is the best opinion that can be issued on audits. He stated that an unmodified opinion was also expressed relating to the Federal Programs and that there were no weaknesses on internal controls nor were there any non-compliance issues noted for this audit.

Mr. Margaglio then reviewed the financial information, noting that revenues totaled about \$36 Million while expenditures were about \$32 Million, leaving an ending total fund balance of about \$36.8 Million Dollars. Key sources of revenue noted in the audit are ad valorem of

\$10 Million, sales taxes of \$10 Million, and state sources of \$5 Million. Expenditures by category included 27% for Public Works, 17% for health and welfare, 8% for capital outlay, 17% for general government, 12% for public safety, with everything else, such as debt service and culture and recreation, accounting for the remaining expenditures. Funds within the General Fund included total revenues of \$8 Million and expenditures of \$5.1 Million. He also pointed out that Royalty Fund revenues received totaled \$342,690, which were previously up to \$4-\$5 Million prior to 2015.

- b. State Representative Marcus Bryant stated that he supports Summary No. 117 on the Iberia Parish Council Agenda.
- c. Dustin Romero, member of Iberia Parish Republican Executive Committee voiced his objection to Summary No. 117 on the Iberia Parish Council Agenda.
- d. Ms. Heidi Parker Martin, Member of Iberia Parish Board of Election Supervisors voiced her objection to Summary No. 117, stated her concerns regarding election integrity and also stated that she believes a cost benefit analysis should be done prior to approval.
- e. Mr. Ricky Gonsolin, Mayor Pro-Tempore' of the City of New Iberia voiced his opinion regarding Summary No. 117, that the Resolution should state for all elections and not for this year only and this service should be provided for other areas of the community as well.
- f. Hon. David Ditch, Iberia Parish Clerk of Court informed the Council that the early voting location in the City of Jeanerette would not be for the upcoming Presidential Election only and would be subsequent elections as well. He gave the breakdown of costs associated with setting up the polling place which would be approximately \$10,000 for the first year, then approximately \$3,000 for reoccurring years.

Hon. Ditch further stated that the City of Jeanerette has the population of the municipality that qualifies for a small voting site and that none of the other areas, i.e., Loreauville, Coteau, Delcambre or Lydia, qualify for a small voting site. He explained that there is a need of access to an early voting site due to a demographic standpoint and the lack of access to the Iberia Parish Courthouse from this area.

- g. Registrar of Voters Kristie Blanchard explained that the machines would be received from the Secretary of State or would be purchased for the early voting site. She further gave an explanation as to how the early voting machines would be handled once early voting was completed. Laptops would be purchased for sign-in purposes only.

It was also confirmed that the early voting place would be available to anyone residing within Iberia Parish.



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2. Persons being considered for appointment to Parish Boards, Commissions, and/or Districts addressed the Council:  
None.

A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Thomas "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., that the Council does hereby recess its Public Hearing and reconvene into Regular Session at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the motion was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:

1. The Public Works Department Report for Closed Work Orders dated May 22, 2024 - June 11, 2024 was emailed to Council Members.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. requested if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda at this time.

Ms Brock Pellerin requested that Summary No. 111 be removed. Hearing no further requests for removal of items, a motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded Mr. James P. Trahan, that the following item be adopted:

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of June 12, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-109

A RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF MR. RICHARD E. ZUSCHLAG, FORMER ACADIAN COMPANIES CHAIRMAN AND CEO, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 5, 2024.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby acknowledge the recent passing Mr. Richard E. Zuschlag, former Acadian Companies Chairman and CEO, who passed away on June 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Zuschlag was a pioneer in developing the emergency medical transportation industry, received many awards along with recognition from numerous local, state, and national groups and publications, he was honored by the American Ambulance Association with the prestigious J. Walter Schaefer Award, which is given to an individual who has made an impact on the ambulance industry, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Zuschlag passing leaves a profound void in the hearts of all who knew him, and his legacy also lives in the company he tirelessly worked 53 years to grow and nurture. Acadian Companies is not just a successful organization, but also serves as an example of how servant leadership, high integrity and unwavering determination create success, not for one, but for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby express its sincere condolences to the family of Mr. Richard E. Zuschlag, former Acadian Companies Chairman and CEO, who passed away on June 5, 2024.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-110

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF THE DAILY IBERIAN AS THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR IBERIA PARISH FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025.

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 43:150 and 43:154 requires that the Iberia Parish Council appoint its Official Journal annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby appoints The Daily Iberian as the Official Journal for Iberia Parish Government for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, in accordance with law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate agencies shall be notified of this designation.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-112

A RESOLUTION GRANTING SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION TO THE WARD 8 ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT, ALL AS COMPLETED BY GRIZZLY ROOFING, LLC, AND AS RECOMMENDED BY BERARD, HABETZ AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

WHEREAS, Iberia Parish Recreation and Playground has contracted with Grizzly Roofing, LLC, for Ward 8 Roof Replacement project (Engineer's Project No.: 2023-060);

WHEREAS, Grizzly Roofing, LLC has completed work in accordance with the project specifications and all approved change orders; and

WHEREAS, Berard, Habetz and Associates, Inc. is recommending the granting of Substantial Completion at this time.



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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby grant Substantial Completion to the Ward 8 Roof Replacement Project, all as completed by Grizzly Roofing, LLC, and as recommended by Berard, Habetz and Associates, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Parish President M. Larry Richard is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents to authorize said Substantial Completion to the aforementioned project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be recorded in the Official Records of Iberia Parish.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-113

A RESOLUTION GRANTING SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION TO COMPLETION OF EDA CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR 18" FORCE MAIN RELOCATION FOR SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF IBERIA PARISH, ALL AS COMPLETED BY SOUTHERN CONSTRUCTORS LLC, AND RECOMMENDED BY STAPLES ENGINEERING & CONSULTING LLC.

WHEREAS, Sewerage District No. 1 of Iberia Parish has contracted with Southern Constructors LLC for the 18" Force Main Relocation project (EDA grant award ED24AUS0G0032);

WHEREAS, Southern Constructors, LLC has completed work in accordance with the project specifications and all approved change orders; and

WHEREAS, Staples Engineering & Consulting, LLC is recommending the granting of Substantial Completion at this time.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby grant Substantial Completion to the 18" Force Main Relocation project (EDA grant award ED24AUS0G0032), all as completed by Southern Constructors LLC, and as recommended by project engineer Staples Engineering and Consulting LLC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Parish President M. Larry Richard is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents to authorize said Substantial Completion to the aforementioned project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be recorded in the Official Records of Iberia Parish.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

## RESOLUTION NO. 2024-114

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO EDA CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR 18" FORCE MAIN RELOCATION FOR SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF IBERIA PARISH, ALL AS COMPLETED BY SOUTHERN CONSTRUCTORS, LLC, AND RECOMMENDED BY STAPLES ENGINEERING AND CONSULTING, LLC.

WHEREAS, Southern Constructors, LLC has been awarded the contract for EDA 18" Force Main relocation, grant award ED24AUS0G0032 ("the Project"); and

WHEREAS, there is a need for Change Order No. 1 in the amount of One Hundred Ninety two thousand, three hundred eighty two Dollars and fifty cents (\$192,382.50) to provide funding for additional work over and above the Base Bid due to materials being unavailable for purchase and alternate materials being required to complete the Project; and

WHEREAS, the total value of the contract award including Change Order No. 1 does not exceed the original budget appropriation; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of Sewerage District No. 1 of Iberia Parish ("Director") to execute Change Order No. 1 for the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby authorize the Director of Sewerage District No. 1 of Iberia Parish to execute Change Order No. 1 with Southern Constructors LLC in the amount of \$192,382.50 to provide funding above the base bid for the Project, as recommended by Project Engineer Staples Engineering and Consulting, LLC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director is hereby authorized to execute Change Order No. 1 and any other documents as necessary to complete this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration shall record Change Order No. 1 in the Official Records of Iberia Parish, Louisiana.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.



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ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

A request was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin to remove Resolution Summary No. 111 from Consent Agenda for discussion to confirm service areas included for the expansion of high speed internet.

A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-111

A RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CAJUN BROADBAND TO PROVIDE FOR EXPANDED HIGH SPEED INTERNET ACCESS ALONG HIGHWAY 90 FROM HIGHWAY 88 TO SOUTH LEWIS STREET AND OTHER UNDESERVED AREAS OF THE PARISH; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND OTHERWISE TO PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, internet services in the 21st century has assumed status as a central utility, and access to high speed internet is critical to the communication of information for individuals and businesses for numerous purposes affecting public health, safety, and welfare, including but not limited to educational and commercial uses (e.g., remote work and education from the home which has become more prevalent, desired, and/or required, particularly after the Covid-19 pandemic, and which often requires high speed internet for videoconferencing and similar communications), governmental uses (e.g., accessing governmental information and/or applying for government benefits or services), and access to health or safety information or services (including online videoconferencing for medical consultation and treatment);

WHEREAS, IBERIA PARISH GOVERNMENT desires to continue to increase its high-speed internet broadband infrastructure for the reasons referenced herein, for the benefit of the public, and for increased economic development; and

WHEREAS, the Parish desires to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with CAJUN BROADBAND in the implementation of a Project to build and operate expanded highspeed internet access along Highway 90 from Highway 88 to South Lewis Street, and other underserved areas of the Parish.

WHEREAS, a cooperative endeavor agreement has been prepared to memorialize the duties and responsibilities of the parties with respect to the provision of the aforementioned services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President of Iberia Parish is hereby authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement For Emergency Aid And Assistance Between IBERIA PARISH GOVERNMENT and CAJUN BROADBAND containing substantially the same terms and conditions as those set forth in the Agreement attached hereto.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.



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This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: Natalie Broussard.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-115

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AUDIT REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 AS PREPARED BY KOLDER, SLAVEN AND COMPANY AND FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING THE SUBMISSIONS OF SAID AUDIT TO THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR AND THE FEDERAL AUDIT CLEARINGHOUSE.

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Government is required to complete the Louisiana System Survey and Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagements of Government Entities annually; and

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Government has contracted with Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC, Certified Public Accountants, to conduct the financial audit of fiscal year ending December 31, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby accept the audit report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023 as prepared by Kolder, Slaven and Company and further acknowledges the submissions of said audit to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor and the Federal Audit Clearinghouse.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.



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A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-116

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH THE DAILY IBERIAN FOR THE PUBLICATION OF CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 AT A COST OF \$10.40 PER COLUMN INCH.

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Government contracts annually with The Daily Iberian for the publication of classified advertisements, which publications are currently at a rate of \$10.40 per column inch and which contract expires on June 30, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby authorize the renewal of a contract with The Daily Iberian for the publication of classified advertisements at a rate of \$10.40 per column inch (plus \$.50 per inch Sundays) based on 517 more classified equivalent inches for a period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Parish President is hereby authorized to execute the contract for said renewal.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: Michael R. Landry and Brock Pellerin.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-118

A RESOLUTION GIVING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL TO THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED SEVENTEEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$17,000,000) OF SALES TAX REVENUE BONDS OF SALES TAX DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF IBERIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

**WHEREAS**, at an election held in Sales Tax District No. 1 of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana (the "**District**") on April 27, 2024, the District was authorized to levy and collect a three-fourths percent (3/4%) sales and use tax (the "**Tax**") in accordance with the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION  
(SALES TAX)**

Shall Sales Tax District No. 1 of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana (the "District"), consisting of the currently unincorporated areas of the Parish of Iberia, be authorized to levy and collect a sales and use tax of 3/4% (the "Tax") (an estimated \$4,800,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, commencing July 1, 2024, in accordance with Louisiana law, with the proceeds of the Tax (after paying reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administering the Tax) to be dedicated and used for the purpose of constructing, improving and maintaining roads and streets within the District?

**WHEREAS**, the District will receive revenues derived from commencing on July 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to and in accordance with the foregoing, the District now desires to incur debt and issue not to exceed Seventeen Million Dollars (\$17,000,000) of its Sales Tax Revenue Bonds (the "**Bonds**"), in the manner authorized and provided by Section 1430 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, as hereinafter provided and other constitutional and statutory authority (the "**Act**"), for the purpose of constructing and improving roads and streets within the District (the "**Project**"), and paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bonds shall be secured by and payable by an irrevocable pledge and dedication of the revenues to be derived by the District from the proceeds of the Tax, subject only to the payment of the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administering the Tax (the "**Net Revenues of the Tax**"); and



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WHEREAS, the District has no outstanding bonds or other obligations of any kind or nature payable from or enjoying a lien on the revenues of the Tax herein pledged;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Iberia Parish Council (the "**Governing Authority**"), acting as the governing authority of the District, that:

SECTION 1. Preliminary Approval of the Bonds. Preliminary approval is given to the issuance of not exceeding Seventeen Million Dollars (\$17,000,000) of Sales Tax Revenue Bonds of the District pursuant to the Act and for the purpose of the Project and paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be secured by and payable from the Net Revenues of the Tax. The Bonds will be issued at an interest rate not exceeding 5% per annum and shall mature over a period of not exceeding five (5) years from the date of issuance. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series, shall be issued in fully registered form, and shall have such additional terms and provisions as may be determined by this Governing Authority.

SECTION 2. State Bond Commission. Application is hereby made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for approval of the issuance and sale of the Bonds and for consent and authority to proceed with the issuance and sale of the Bonds as provided above, and Bond Counsel is directed to make application to the State Bond Commission in accordance with the foregoing on behalf of the District. By virtue of applicant/District's application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.," adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other product(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby.

SECTION 3. Employment. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., of New Orleans, Louisiana, as Bond Counsel, is hereby employed to do and perform work of a traditional legal nature as bond counsel with respect to the issuance and sale of said Bonds. Said Bond Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of such Bonds, shall counsel and advise this Governing Authority as to the issuance and sale thereof and shall furnish its opinions covering the legality of the issuance of the Bonds. The fee of Bond Counsel for each series of bonds shall be fixed at a sum not exceeding the fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee guidelines for such bond counsel work and based on the amount of said Bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses, said fees to be contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of said Bonds. The Chairman is hereby authorized and directed to execute, and this Governing Authority hereby agrees to and accepts the terms of, the engagement letter of

Bond Counsel appended hereto. A certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for approval of said employment and of the fees herein designated, and the District is hereby empowered and directed to provide for payment of the work herein specified upon completion thereof and under the conditions herein enumerated without further approval of this Governing Authority.

SECTION 4. Appointment of Municipal Advisor. The District hereby retains Government Consultants, Inc. of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to act as its Municipal Advisor ("**MA**") pursuant to the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the rules promulgated thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The District hereby acknowledges that it is represented by the MA and will rely upon the advice of the MA with respect to the Bonds. The fee to be paid the MA shall be payable solely from the proceeds of the Bonds when and if issued, and the amount thereof shall be subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission. The Chairman is hereby authorized and directed, in his discretion, to execute any contract the MA may require with respect to the engagement. The MA is further requested to advise and assist the District in the sale of the Bonds.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted on this, the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

/s/ Carrie D. Terry

Clerk

/s/ Warren P. Gachassin, Jr.

Chairman



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A motion was made by Mr. Chad Maturin, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-119

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE OF THE SPELLING OF MEYERS ROAD TO MYERS ROAD, LOCATED IN DISTRICT 14, DUE TO A VARIANCE IN SPELLING THIS HAS CAUSED ISSUES FOR RESIDENTS, PUBLIC WORKS, THE POST OFFICE, THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, ON LINE MAPPING SERVICES SUCH AS GOOGLE AND IBERIA PARISH'S 911 ADDRESSING SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, it has been requested by the Iberia Parish 911 Emergency Communications District to change the spelling of Meyers Road to Myers Road;

WHEREAS, that due to a variance in spelling, this has caused issues for residents, Public Works, the Post Office, the Assessor's Office, on line mapping services such as Google and our 911 addressing system the Iberia Parish Council hereby changes the spelling of Meyers Road to Myers Road; and

WHEREAS, that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Municode Library and filed in the Official Records of the Iberia Parish Clerk of Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby request the La. Department of Transportation and Development to officially change the spelling of Meyers Road to Myers Road.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Maturin, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-120

A RESOLUTION GRANTING PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT APPROVAL TO A SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO PEARL JONES, LOCATED AT 6001 COTEAU ROAD, IBERIA PARISH IN DISTRICT 14, TO SUBDIVIDE 2.769 ACRES OF PROPERTY INTO FOUR (4) LOTS FOR RESIDENTIAL USE, SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT PC2024-0008, ALL AS REVIEWED AND RECOMMENDED BY THE IBERIA PARISH REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, an application has been filed with the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission for Preliminary and Final Plat approval to a subdivision of property belonging to Pearl Jones, located at 6001 Coteau Road, Iberia Parish in District 14, to subdivide 2.769 acres of property into four (4) lots for Residential use, subject to compliance with Planning Commission Staff Report PC2024-0008, all as reviewed and recommended by the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission conducted a Public Hearing on June 17, 2024 and recommended Preliminary and Final Plat approval to a subdivision of property belonging to Pearl Jones, located at 6001 Coteau Road, Iberia Parish in District 14, to subdivide 2.769 acres of property into four (4) lots for Residential use, subject to compliance with Planning Commission Staff Report PC2024-0008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby grant for Preliminary and Final Plat approval to a subdivision of property belonging to Pearl Jones, located at 6001 Coteau Road, Iberia Parish in District 14, to subdivide 2.769 acres of property into four (4) lots for Residential use, subject to compliance with Planning Commission Staff Report PC2024-0008, all as reviewed and recommended by the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Preliminary and Final Plat approval is conditional upon the following items from the Staff Report PC2024-0008:

STAFF REPORT CONDITIONS:

- (a) Adequate provisions shall be made such that development activities do not adversely affect the adjacent properties. All building permits and construction activities must be completed such that the adjacent properties are not impacted from alteration of the historical drainage patterns. (Public Works).
- (b) Submittal of construction documentation for the Right-of-Passage/Proposed Private Street to the Department of Public Works will be required. Construction documentation shall indicate a site drainage plan and details of all ties-ins to public infrastructure. The Final Plat may not be recorded or permits issued until the construction plans have been approved and the Right-of-Passage/Proposed Private Street constructed. (Planning)



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## PLAT REVISIONS:

1. Addresses are assigned as follows: (911/Communications District)  
Lot 1-6001 Coteau Rd (Existing)  
Lot 2-Need location of structure  
Lot 3-6001 Coteau Rd Lot 5  
Lot 4-Need location of structure
2. Reflect the zoning as R-2 (Mixed Residential)
3. The 10' sewer easement must extend all the way to Lot 4 (B.O.H.)
4. Same landowner appears to have additional surrounding lands. If at any time in the future such lands are further subdivided to create more than 15 lots (inclusive of these current lots), a community sewerage may be required for all lots, also inclusive of these lots. Refer to Sewer District 1 Ordinance, Sections 6 and 7. (Sewer District 1)

## OTHER COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS:

- (a) Note: All work to be performed within public right of way must be permitted. Driveway permits may be obtained at 715-A Weldon Street. For more information, call 337-369-4438.

## Attachments:

Plat  
Adjoining Property Owners  
Aerial Photo

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Planning, Permitting, and Zoning is hereby authorized to grant Preliminary and Final Approval and record said plat in the Official Records of Iberia Parish upon the satisfactorily completion of all contingencies contained within the Resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that Resolution Summary No. 121, which is a Resolution granting Preliminary and Final Plat Approval to a subdivision of property belonging to Ronnie Prioux, located at Loreauville Road, Iberia Parish in District 11, to subdivide 428,155.91 sq. ft. acres of property into four (4) lots for residential use, subject to compliance with Planning Commission Staff Report PC2024-0009, All as reviewed and recommended by the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission be adopted.

A motion to DELETE was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that Resolution Summary No. 121, be deleted due to this matter not ready for approval by the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Committee.

This motion to DELETE having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the motion to DELETE was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.



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A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that Resolution Summary No. 122, which is a Resolution granting Preliminary and Final Plat Approval to a subdivision of property belonging to Sandy Sonnier, located at Boutte Road, Iberia Parish in District 9, to subdivide 10.000 acres of property into ten (10) lots for residential use, subject to compliance with Planning Commission Staff Report PC2024-0007, all as reviewed and recommended by the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission be adopted.

A motion to DEFER was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that Resolution Summary No. 122, be deferred to the July 10, 2024 Joint Committee Meeting for discussion due to not receiving a staff recommendation from the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission.

This motion to DEFER having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the motion to DEFER was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

A motion was made by Ms. Natalie Broussard, seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-123

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 AIRPORT AUTHORITY FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$210,000 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING NEEDED FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES OF CORPORATE HANGAR, ALL TO BE FUNDED FROM DOTD STATE REVENUES.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2024 Airport Authority Fund Budget in the amount of \$210,000 to appropriate funding needed for engineering services of Corporate Hangar, all to be funded from DOTD State Revenues; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to amend the 2024 Airport Authority Fund Budget in the amount of \$210,000 to appropriate funding needed for engineering services of Corporate Hangar, all to be funded from DOTD State Revenues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2024 Airport Authority Fund Budget in the amount of \$210,000 to appropriate funding needed for engineering services of Corporate Hangar, all to be funded from DOTD State Revenues, as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
434006 6520 0000 4080	DOTD - Corporate Hangar	-0-	\$210,000
533100 6520 0000 4080	Arch/engr services	-0-	\$210,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said adjustments having no effect on Fund Balance.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.



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A motion was made by Ms. Lady Fontenette Brown, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the following be adopted.

A substitute motion to amend was made by Ms. Lady Fontenette Brown, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the language in Resolution Summary No. 117, be amended to read that "A Resolution amending the 2024 General Fund Budget to include election expenses in the amount of \$10,000 for establishing an early voting location in Jeanerette, Louisiana, all to be funded from Fund Balance - Previous Years."

This motion to AMEND having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, Brock Pellerin, and Caymen Crappell.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the motion to AMEND was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

A motion was made by Ms. Lady Fontenette Brown, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the following be adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-117

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO INCLUDE ELECTION EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 FOR ESTABLISHING AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION IN JEANERETTE, LOUISIANA, ALL TO BE FUNDED FROM FUND BALANCE - PREVIOUS YEARS.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to establish an early voting location in Jeanerette, Louisiana;

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Council does hereby approve the establishment of an early voting location in Jeanerette, Louisiana;

WHEREAS, the 2024 General Fund Budget be amended to include election expenses in the amount of \$10,000 for establishing an early voting location in Jeanerette, Louisiana, all to be funded from Fund Balance - Previous Years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2024 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$10,000 to include election expenses for establishing an early voting location in Jeanerette, Louisiana, all to be funded from Fund Balance - Previous Years, as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
0010 499000 0000 00000	Fund balance-prev yrs	\$960,530	\$10,000
0010 553000 1420 0000	Communications	-0-	\$4,200
0010 561000 1420 0000	Supplies and Postage	-0-	\$2,200
0010 574100 1420 0000	Equipment	-0-	\$3,600

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said amendment will reduce Fund Balance - Previous Years.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, Brock Pellerin, and Caymen Crappell.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.



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ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

None.

A motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby adjourn.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard and Brian P. Napier.

And the motion was declared adopted this 26th day of June, 2024.

Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. then declared the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:

  
Clerk of the Council

